

JULY 2022 PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to the public. Parking fee applies. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Rain cancels most programs. In case of inclement weather, confirm by calling (508) 238-6566. Please follow all current COVID guidelines. Visit [Mass.gov/COVID](https://www.mass.gov/covid).

Daily

AMES FAMILY PHOTO EXHIBIT

8:00 am—8:00 pm, In the Visitor Center

Stop by the Newcombe Visitor Center at Borderland State Park to learn about the Ames family and the construction of the Borderland estate through a series of photographs. Self-guided.

Daily

SELF-GUIDED BROCHURES

8:00 am—8:00 pm, At the Visitor Center

Want to learn more about the architecture or grounds of the historic Ames Mansion? Self-guided tour brochures are free and available in the entry way of the visitor center. For all ages.

Sundays,
Mondays,
and
Wednesdays

AMES MANSION TOURS

Times vary. Registration required.

Step back in time and explore the first floor of the historic Ames Mansion at Borderland and learn about the Ames family. Free guided tours are offered throughout the week. Themes and times vary. Tours are thirty minutes long, first floor only. Accessible. Advance registration required at <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/borderland-state-park-mass-dcr-44656431063>. Meet in front of Mansion.

Sundays

1:00-1:30pm: Mansion Tour: Building a Home
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3:00-3:30pm: Kids Mansion Tour
4:00-4:30pm: Mansion Tour: Women's Rights

Mondays

3:00-3:30pm: Kids Mansion Tour
4:00-4:30pm: Mansion Tour: Women's Rights

Wednesdays

1:00-1:30pm: Mansion Tour

Sundays

FAMILY NATURE EXPLORATION: PONDING

1:00 pm—2:00 pm, Meet at the Lodge

Curious about the natural world? Use nets and buckets to catch some animals in Leach Pond. Discover what's there and learn about water quality. Wear shoes and clothes that can get wet. Rain cancels.

Sundays,
July 10 & 17

FAMILY NATURE EXPLORATION: A POLLINATOR

WALK, 10:00 am—11:00 am, Meet at the Visitor Center

Interested in pollinators and what attracts them? Join us for a short walk to two of our pollinator gardens (less than 1 mile). Learn about the importance pollinators play in our ecosystem. Rain cancels.

Wednesdays

GARDEN TOUR: SECRETS OF THE LAND

2:00 pm—2:30 pm, Meet in front of Ames Mansion

In the early 1900s, rock gardens were all the rage! Harvard botanist, Oakes Ames enjoyed spending time in these gardens that features many different types of plants and rocks. For adults and older children. Rain cancels.

Wednesdays

KIDS FISHING AT BORDERLAND

5:00 pm—7:00 pm, Meet at Puds Pond

Want to learn how to fish? We supply the poles, bait and teach you all the basics and some tips, too! Fishing license not needed. All children must be accompanied by an adult. For parking information, please email Borderland.Park@mass.gov.

Borderland State Park

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coming events

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PROGRAMS CONTINUE FROM REVERSE SIDE

- Thursdays

OFF THE BEATEN PATH HIKES
1:00 pm—3:00 pm, Meet at the Visitor Center
Join the Park Interpreter for a guided hike. Explore different trails each week. Hikes are between 2-4 miles long on varied terrain at a moderate pace. Bring drinking water. For adults.
- Thursdays

INTRODUCTION TO NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY: USING SMARTPHONES
4:00 pm—5:00 pm, Meet at the Visitor Center
Want to sharpen your photography skills? Interested in exploring nature at Borderland? Learn more about using your smartphone camera to capture the many different plants and wild life. For adults and older children. Bring your own smartphone. Rain cancels.
- Fridays

FAMILY NATURE EXPLORATION: ANIMAL PELTS & ACTIVITIES
1:00 pm—2:00 pm, Meet at the Lodge
Curious about the natural world? Learn about the animals you can find at Borderland. Join us for family friendly, hands-on fun exploration in nature. Topics vary. Come to one or all! Rain cancels. Drop-in program.
- Fridays

ARCHITECTURAL TOUR: A STORY IN STONE
5:00 pm—5:30 pm, Meet in front of Mansion
Who was the architect of the Ames Mansion? Learn the story of the construction and design of the Ames mansion on this 30-minute exterior tour. We will not be going into the Mansion. For adults and older children. Rain will cancel.
- Saturdays

KIDLEIDOSCOPE STORY HOUR
9:00 am—10:00 am, Meet at the Visitor Center
Join us for a different nature themed story, craft and short walk each week. Story and craft will take place inside the visitor center, followed by a short nature walk. For children ages 4+. Rain or shine.
- Saturdays,
July 2, 9, 23
& 30

FAMILY NATURE EXPLORATION: WILD WETLANDS
1:00 pm—2:00 pm, Meet at the Visitor Center
Curious to learn about wetlands? Find out who lives in them, and how to protect them. Following a short presentation at the visitor center, we'll hike to the wetlands at Borderland. Hiking route may vary, 1-mile on flat terrain. Wear bug repellent. Rain cancels hike portion.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Daily,
Starting
July 2

GEOCACHING SCAVENGER HUNT
Game sheets are available inside the Visitor Center
Use clues, coordinates, and your navigational skills to try to find pictures that Ranger Darren has hidden. This is a self-guided activity. Come once or as many times as you want. Rain or shine. Ends 9/18.
- Saturday,
July 16

DCR SE MASS ADULT WALKING CLUB
12:00 pm—2:00 pm, Meet at the Visitor Center
Join the park staff for a 3-mile moderately paced Pond Walk hike. Route will be mostly flat. Dress for the weather and bring bug spray, sunblock and drinking water. For adults 16+ years.
- Thursday,
July 21

ADVANCED FISHING FOR KIDS
5:00 pm—7:00 pm, Registration Required
The park staff will be teaching **children 8+** how to use different equipment and advanced techniques when fishing. Program is not aimed at catching fish. Space is very limited. **To register, email borderland.park@mass.gov.**